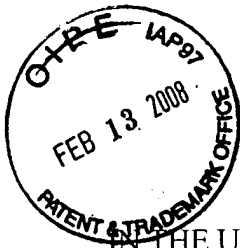


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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Responsive to the October 4, 2007 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: